

Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together.

—WOODROW WILSON

# The Illuminator

There's plenty of room at the top because we all want to get in on the ground floor.

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KINGSPORT UTILITIES, INC.

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## Revised Military Service Plan Provides Additional Benefits For Employees

Employees of the three companies who are called into military service will receive as a voluntary gift from the company one or two weeks salary, depending on their length of service with the company. This announcement was made as part of a revised military service policy which is effective immediately for all regular employees of the company, including those who are already on military service leave.

Another major addition to the companies' military service program is a continuation of hospitalization insurance for the employees' wife and dependent children, the cost of which will be borne entirely by the companies.

These two additions have been made to the policy which has been in effect.

The program entitles the employee to continued participation in the companies' retirement plan even while on military service leave. He may continue to make his same contributions to the retirement plan while in military service or may defer them for payment over a five-year period upon reemployment. In either case, the company will continue to make its contributions to the retirement fund for the benefit of the employee.

Under the companies' life insurance program, the group life insurance will be discontinued. However, the company will pay the employees in military service an allowance sufficient to pay the premiums on a five-year National Service Life Insurance policy in an amount equal to the coverage the employee had under the companies' plan.

Another feature of the military service policy is the fact that the employee will receive credit on his company service record for time spent while on military service leave. Upon reinstatement the employee will be given all general and automatic wage and salary increases to which he would have been entitled during his military service leave.

Also included in the revised military service policy are: A continuation of the employees' discount on his electric service bill; cancellation of the group sickness and accident insurance and time off with pay for physical examination in connection with entering military service.

All of these company-provided benefits are in addition to the re-employment rights of employees entering military service as prescribed by the Selective Service Act of 1948.

Complete details of the military service policy of the three companies are available.

### Beckley District Manager Heads Community Chest



Cecil W. Lovell, manager of the Beckley district, was elected president of the Beckley-Mabscott Community Chest at a meeting on September 18 of the organization's board of directors.

### Paul S. Dunn Elected To Head Abingdon's Jaycees For 1951

Paul S. Dunn, an Abingdon district rural sales representative, has been elected president of the Abingdon Junior Chamber of Commerce for 1950-51.



Mr. Dunn, a native of Bland County, Virginia, began work with Appalachian in August, 1948, after having been graduated from V. P. I. He is active in community

affairs and is a member of the Abingdon Kiwanis Club, the V. P. I. Alumni Club, and the Lutheran Church.

During World War II, Mr. Dunn served as a pilot in the U. S. Army Air Force.

### Gets News Of Prospect From Policeman Who Thumbs Him Off Road

Roy Miller, of the Hazard commercial department, knows what it's like to have a police car make you pull over to the curb.

It happened as he was driving to Sassafras on August 31 when he pulled up behind three cars trailing a state police car going about 20 miles per hour.

He trailed along for a while until he saw that none of the other cars was going to pass the police car. At the next passing lane he pulled out and passed all of them—only to find the police car right behind with a trooper blowing the horn and motioning him to pull over to the side of the road.

Roy pulled over and felt rather disgusted as he watched the other three cars speed by. When he got out, the trooper said, "You haven't done anything wrong. I have been looking for you because my next-door neighbor wants you to drop by and see him Monday. He wants to buy a range."

### Employees Entering Service Will Get THE ILLUMINATOR

Employees of the three companies who are called into active military service will continue to receive THE ILLUMINATOR.

All they need to do is to keep their personnel supervisor informed of their correct address and the paper will be mailed to them as usual.

## Appalachian And Kingsport Set Record In Four Month Load Building Campaign

### A. J. Darrah Heads Williamson Radio Civilian Defense Network Licensed; Placed Into Service



A. J. Darrah

A. J. Darrah, retired vice president of Appalachian and Huntington division manager, has been appointed the Huntington and Cabell County civilian defense chairman.

The appointment was announced by Sheriff Ezra M. Midkiff of Cabell County, ex officio chairman of defense. Sheriff Midkiff said, "Mr. Darrah's long career in the utility field, during which he supervised large numbers of men and had extensive experience in electric power distribution, construction and communication influenced his selection."

As civilian defense director, Mr. Darrah will be given high authority in a defense emergency. He will direct a defense organization in Huntington and Cabell County which is expanding almost daily.

Mr. Darrah retired from active service with Appalachian last year after more than 48 years in the electric utility field.

### Williamson Radio Network Licensed; Placed Into Service

Williamson district's 250-watt radio communication system was licensed and placed into service September 9. Two base stations and 11 mobile units form the new communications network. Already district personnel are realizing an improvement in daily operating efficiency although they have experienced no major trouble.

Remote control stations, located in the meter and garage departments, are linked with the main 70-foot antenna erected at the top of Picnic Rock. At this height, an elevation of 1,800 feet overlooking the City of Williamson, transmission has proved extremely effective throughout the test periods.

### Kentucky Reaches New Top In Range And Heater Sales

Range and water heater sales in the service area of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company reached a new high during August. The company and the dealers sold a total of 636 units in August, 1950, compared to 479 units sold in August, 1949. At the end of August, 3,833 units had been sold in the first eight months of the year compared to 3,215 units sold for the same period during 1949.

Dealer sales during August totaled 390 ranges and 130 water heaters. Hazard district dealers topped the other districts of the company in sales during the month.

Company sales in August totaled 77 ranges and 39 water heaters. Pikeville district led the company in sales during the month.

In addition to the ranges and water heaters, there were 22 clothes dryers sold by the dealers and the company in the service area during the month.

### Logan Leads Sales As Quotas Topped In All Districts

A four-month intensive selling and promotion campaign in cooperation with the dealers has been completed in the Appalachian and Kingsport Utilities service area with outstanding results. During the "Going Places" campaign, which began May 15 and ended September 15, there were 18,031 ranges, 6,898 water heaters and 6,363 water systems sold. Those added ranges, water heaters and water systems mean additional annual revenue to the company of more than \$750,000.

Established on a quota basis, the campaign resulted in spirited competition among the commercial departments of the various districts. Every district finished the campaign well above its quota.

Logan district, with a percentage of 362.94, led the way, followed by Huntington with 292.43 and Williamson with 280.51. After these three districts the line-up in order was: Pulaski, Abingdon, Welch, Point Pleasant, Kingsport, Bluefield, Charleston, Lynchburg, Roanoke and Fieldale.

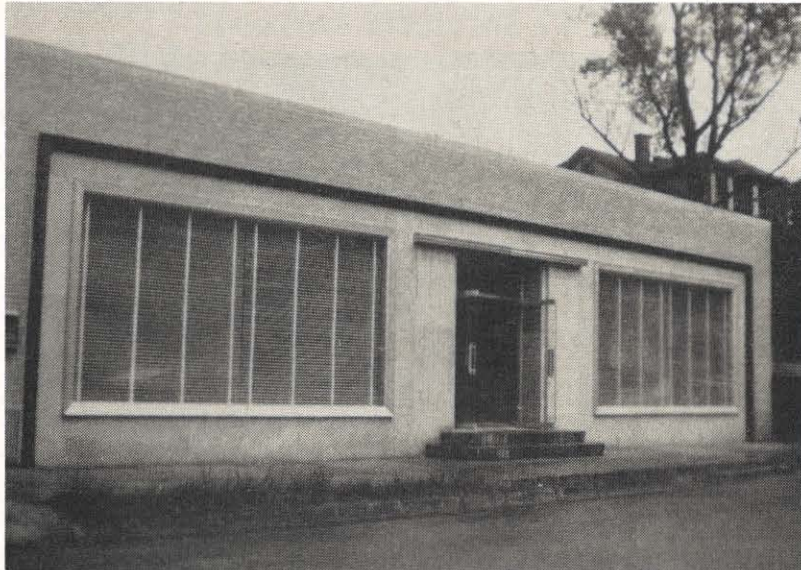
Division-wise, Huntington led with 317.42 per cent; Bluefield, 195.67; Charleston, 153.35 and Roanoke, 135.59. The final sales report shows that 48.8 per cent of the ranges, 94.6 per cent of the water systems and 46 per cent of the water heaters were sold in the rural areas.

As a result of finishing in the first three positions in the sales campaign, all members of the Logan commercial department, 75 per cent of the personnel of the Huntington district commercial department and 50 per cent of the Williamson district commercial department were given a trip to Nags Head, N. C. The top and runner-up area sales representatives in each district also made the trip to Nags Head as an award for their efforts.

The leading and runner-up area sales representatives by districts were: A. O. Edwards, leader, and O. L. Bennett, runner-up, Logan; Charles Ferguson and K. D. Moore, Huntington; Blake Oney and William Steppe, Williamson; J. E. Grantham and F. M. Bennington, Pulaski; Paul

(See Logan Leads, page 8)

### Montgomery Office Building Opened



The new Appalachian office building in Montgomery (above) has been occupied. The building, besides housing all of the departments, includes

an 80-seat auditorium, with an all-electric demonstration kitchen on the stage and an electric commercial kitchen adjacent to the auditorium.

### System Loads Reach New All-Time Highs

Record peaks for the delivery of electricity were shattered on two different occasions during the month of September by the generating facilities of the Southern Properties.

The Southern Properties' system peak was 927,385 kilowatts for the hour ending at 12 noon, September 26.

The previous record which was established September 19 of 926,175 kilowatts topped the July 25 mark of 913,500 kilowatts.

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## First Anniversary

With this issue, we celebrate the first anniversary of THE ILLUMINATOR.

The purpose of our employee newspaper was outlined at the time it was inaugurated. It was stated that we hoped to bring you a wide variety of news about our company, your fellow-employees and their families, and the electric industry in general.

Now, after a year's experience, we can begin to judge our results. Many comments and words of encouragement which have come in to the district correspondents, the associate editors and the editorial staff would indicate that many of you are pleased with our efforts. However, we have no intention of becoming complacent and believe we should constantly strive for improvement.

This is your publication and your suggestions are always welcome. Your continued support and encouragement will help to make THE ILLUMINATOR still better during the coming year.

## Greener Pastures

Have you ever discovered whether the grass actually is greener on the other side of the fence? And did you ever get into a hot discussion with a fellow worker as to whose job was more important around the plant? Well, it seems that the Captain and the Chief Engineer of a ship got into such an argument, and they decided that the only way to settle it would be to exchange jobs for a spell.

So, the skipper went down into the hold to supervise the steam boilers, and the engineroom chief went up to the bridge to navigate the vessel. The Captain fiddled around with the steam valves and gauges, getting hotter and sweatier and sootier with each hour—but to no good. Finally he gave up in disgust and started up the iron stairs for the open decks.

Half way up he met the Chief Engineer, coming down.

"Take over your engineroom, matey," said the skipper. "I just don't seem to be able to get up enough steam for those boilers, and keep it up."

The Chief Engineer grinned. "Well, it doesn't matter anyway, skipper," he said. "We've been aground for two hours!"

So each went back to the job he did and did well, knowing at last that it takes a lot of men doing well the jobs they can do best—and convinced that every job in the whole outfit is important to the whole operation if it is done well—to keep the operation running smoothly and for the benefit of all hands.

## Our Best Weapon

Last spring the Socialists in Britain won in a challenge to stay in power by a narrow margin and the party immediately drafted a new platform. There's nothing that makes a Socialist turn to the right quicker than the vote of the people.



### QUESTION OF THE MONTH: Why do you think it important for every citizen to exercise his or her right to vote?

**MAYE BAYLESS, commercial department, Kingsport:**



In a democracy, the individual is all-important. The whole system is designed to protect the rights of the individual. The average citizen knows what his rights are, as a rule, and won't stand for any interference with them. So far as his rights are concerned, he feels big—and he is big.

In the usual city or county election, only a handful of the voters decides who is going to run local affairs, and how. One vote counts for an awful lot in these elections. The average citizen's one vote does count.

Women, especially, should vote in every election as our whole system protects our homes and all that women hold dear in this country.

**H. A. BOWEN, Cabin Creek plant:**



The definition of an election in government is the process by which officers are chosen to manage public affairs. Since we are responsible for the individuals placed in these public offices we must assume that we want the person most capable in performing the duties required in the most efficient manner and to the best welfare of our country.

The majority of voters for the past several years have failed miserably in even making an attempt to vote. It is for this reason that we find quite a number of men handling our affairs that are not qualified, and our system of government changing each day. In order to overcome such a deplorable condition each of us should make a special effort to exercise our right to vote. I am sure that if we would all give this serious thought, that a gradual improvement would be noted in local and national affairs.

Most of us think that we are just wasting time in voting. As long as this continues you will not only be wasting time; but we will wake up to find that we have lost our right to vote. If and when we should reach such a condition, we will have no one to shoulder the blame but ourselves. Regardless of politics we should all exercise our right to vote and maintain the democracy which we now enjoy in these United States of America.

**G. E. SNODGRASS, property records supervisor, Ashland:**



A successful democracy depends on a large popular vote. The men who establish the basic framework of our government highly valued their right to vote and assumed that future generations would cherish and exercise that right. Weaknesses that have developed in our political system can be traced, in large measure, to the indifference of otherwise good citizens who do not vote.

Groups seeking special benefits are not indifferent and a light vote works to their advantage. The continuation of the freedoms and rights we now enjoy may well depend on more active participation of the American people in their government through voting. As individuals, we should study candidates and issues and vote in all elections, and encourage others to vote.

**BERNARD WOODAHL, local accounting department, Roanoke:**



In our democracy, each citizen is entitled to a share in the government. Only to the extent that individual citizens accept their share of responsibility, do we have a democracy.

We can participate actively in our government by informing ourselves about issues and candidates and by voting in each election. By so doing, we make our democracy stronger and more progressive. We help preserve our freedom. Our government becomes more representative of our thinking.

By failing to exercise our right to vote, we invite special groups with special interests to take over. We forfeit our rightful share in our government.

Whether we have good government depends upon us as individual citizens—upon whether or not we exercise our right to vote.

**GLADA FLEISHMAN, system accounting department, Roanoke:**



When the American citizen wakes up to his responsibilities and avails himself of his constitutional rights, he will permit the forces of progress to bring about pure democracy. Democracy is something to be lived and can be successful only when every individual in it discharges his public duties.

Any group of non-voting persons in a democracy is a menace. They open our gates to insidious socialists and other barbarians. A storehouse of integrity of freedom has been bequeathed to us by our forefathers. In this day of confusion, of peril to liberty, our high duty is to exert external vigilance and be intent upon one purpose to protect our country from the heresy of communism. An altruistic and intelligent vote of our multiplied millions would reclaim America from the socialistic trend.

**A. P. JONES, local superintendent, Christiansburg, Pulaski District:**



We are fighting for democracy and free speech. These things are our heritage. It is the one privilege that the American people have; that of selecting their own representatives of our government. As long as we exercise this right, we can be assured that we will continue to have

this heritage to pass on to our children. However, it is important that every person takes an interest in seeing that he or she is qualified to vote and make his or her own selection of the officials. Too often you hear people criticize the representatives of our government, and often these very people do not have a vote because they have not taken advantage of this privilege by qualifying. Had they done this, their opinions and desires would have been reflected in the representatives of their choosing.

**MRS. EDITH Q. NICKELL, secretarial stenographer, Pt. Pleasant:**



One of the many privileges of the Great American People is to freely and of their own accord cast the ballot of their choice. Representation of the people, by the people and for the people can be achieved only if every American citizen 21 years of age or over casts his ballot. It is of utmost importance at this critical time that our nation retain all of our freedoms. This is ours to do by exercising our right to vote.

**GORDON P. CHAIN, distribution department, Huntington:**



The destiny of civilization rests primarily in the decisions made in this coming election. The vital issues that are confronting the American people today are of such nature as to call for the most courageous and spiritual leadership, if we are to remain a free people.

The underlying currents of communism wash in on every doorstep in an effort to undermine those freedoms purchased by the blood of the flower of the land.

The strength of America lies in the unity of the will of the people, conveyed through the medium of the ballot box.

It is, therefore, vitally important that we individually express our opinions in this coming election by selecting men we feel are qualified and capable of keeping America free.

**C. R. HOLDREN, Claytor hydro plant:**



I think it is important for every citizen to exercise his or her right to vote because: It is the American people's greatest privilege, that of having a voice in choosing the people who run their government. The United States is one of the very few countries, in which the people still have the

freedom to vote the way each individual wants to, or to express his views on this or any other matter, without fear of contradiction.

It is through the exercising of this right that he can help place the proper people at the head of his government to protect him with fair laws and taxes. If this freedom is to be passed on to our children, and they are to have proper schools and education, we should see that communism does not creep into our government. The only way this can be accomplished is for each one of us to exercise our right to vote for the right people.

## Safety Pup Says - -

**DON'T MONKEY WITH SOMETHING YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND**



About Deductions

# The Story Of Your Pay Check Stub

GROSS PAY		DEDUCTIONS					NET PAY
25000	375 <sup>1</sup>	500 <sup>2</sup>	344 <sup>3</sup>	240 <sup>4</sup>	440 <sup>5</sup>	210 <sup>7</sup>	22891

IDENTIFICATION OF NUMBERS FOR DEDUCTIONS FROM GROSS PAY APPEARING IN DEDUCTION COLUMNS

1. Federal Ins. Contribution Tax	4. Group Life Insurance	7. Hospitalization Insurance
2. Retirement Income Contribution	5. Federal Income Taxes Withheld	8. Salary Budget Insurance
3. Sick and Accident Insurance	6. Payroll Advance	

NOT A CHECK: EMPLOYEE WILL PLEASE DETACH THIS STUB

Let's take an average employee of one of the three companies of the Southern Properties and talk a little about his pay check. For the sake of convenience we'll call him Joe.

Joe is married and has two youngsters, a boy, 7, and a girl, 4. Twice a month, Joe gets his pay check. Each pay day he looks at his "take home" pay, then examines the check stub and wonders why all those deductions were made. Joe thinks, "Boy, a lot of things are being taken from my check before I get it." He sighs, endorses the check and thinks about the "good old days" when you earned a dollar, you got a dollar and no deductions.

Let's take a little closer look at one of Joe's checks, for the purposes of this story Joe is paid monthly. He receives a monthly wage of around \$250 and his take home pay is \$228.91. How about the other \$21.09? Didn't he earn it? Doesn't he get that, too?

Let's consider the word deductions, which means to take away or subtract, while looking a little closer at the stub attached to the check. What

does the other \$21.09 go for?

Number one on the check stub is *Federal Insurance Contribution Tax*. In Joe's case, this amounts to one and one-half per cent of his wage or \$3.75 a month. The company matches this contribution of Joe's under the Federal Social Security Act. This money is turned over to the federal government to establish a fund which provides for family benefits if Joe dies before age 65 and monthly payments to Joe and his family as soon as he reaches retirement. A deduction? Yes, but it is also an investment in security for Joe's old age and his family.

Number two on Joe's check is for *Retirement Income Contribution*. The company has a retirement income plan under which Joe and the company make contributions to purchase benefits through a group annuity contract issued by certain life insurance companies. Joe's payment into this plan amounts to \$5.00 a month. The company's payments are considerably higher. Joe and all other employees of the company become eligible for

this plan after they have been employed a year. A deduction? Yes, but it's another investment in security for Joe and his family. It will help to provide a fund for his retirement, and, in the event Joe dies before he is retired, his family would receive the contributions he had made plus interest.

Number three on the check stub is *Sick and Accident Insurance*. All permanent employees of the company are eligible to apply for group sick and accident insurance on the first day of the month next following the date they are employed. The plan pays a weekly benefit, depending on salary received, while you are prevented from working as a result of sickness or accident. Joe pays \$3.44 a month and in case he is disabled for more than a week he would receive a maximum of \$40 per week after the first eight days of disability.

Number four on the check stub is *Group Life Insurance*. Under the company's revised group life insurance plan Joe can receive \$6,000 worth of

insurance. For this protection Joe pays \$2.40 a month.

Number five — *Federal Income Taxes Withheld*. With four exemptions (his wife, two children and himself) Joe's federal income tax for the month is \$4.40. This tax money is part of Joe's share in the cost of running the federal government.

Number seven — *Hospitalization Insurance*. For his premium of \$2.10 a month, Joe and the other members of his family can receive funds to pay for hospital room and board and other hospital expenses including surgical fees in the event of illness or injury. In addition, it reimburses Joe up to certain limits for amounts charged by doctors for home, office, or hospital treatments.

That's the pay check stub's story. Joe's \$21.09 went into many and different investments. The company keeps the books for Joe and, in the examples shown above, contributes a sizeable share to Joe's security. This \$21.09, plus the company's contributions, represents an important investment for Joe and his family.

## How About You?

Election Day was drawing near,  
But placid Elmer Groat  
Decided he had naught to fear,  
And therefore, would not vote.

To Campaign talk he closed his ears,  
He didn't read a line  
On Candidates, or their careers,  
Or issues they'd define.

He sneered at fellow workers who  
Discussed the coming vote,  
And said: "That's talk for guys like  
you,  
But not for Elmer Groat!"

And then one night he had a dream,  
(He'd eaten lobster late)  
From which he awakened with a scream  
Of terror at his fate.

He dreamed democracy was dead,  
Our way of life erased,  
Dictatorship was here instead,  
And freedom was displaced.

He dreamed ten million Elmer Groat's  
Had followed his advice,  
Deciding to pass up their votes,  
Now had to pay the price.

He dreamed he tried to raise his voice  
In protest, but they said  
That he no longer had a choice,  
Except to wake up dead.

He said, "Come next election day  
You'll hear from Elmer Groat!"  
They sneered, and as they turned  
away  
They said, "You have no vote."

When he woke up he took an oath  
That henceforth Elmer Groat  
Would rather give up ten years  
growth  
Than miss a chance to vote.

## Radio Facilities Are Now Being Installed In Kingsport

The installation of a two-way FM radio communications network is nearing completion in the areas served by the Kingsport Utilities. The new system will be composed of one base station, located in the KUI main office building, and ten mobile units.

Remote control will link the KUI Broad Street office station with the transmitter and antenna which has been constructed on the top of Bays Mountain, near the Kingsport radio station tower.

More efficient handling of routine service calls and the elimination of lost time in clearing troubles is anticipated when the installation is completed.

## 2,000-Mile Trip

### Two Pikeville Employees Fly To Canada In Their Own Plane While On Vacation

You would spend all your time traveling if you took a 2,000-mile trip in a week—unless you arranged your vacation like two Pikeville employees.

Curtis McClung, meter superintendent, and Corbin Bobbitt, meterman, flew their jointly owned Cessna over 2,000 miles while spending less than a full day in the air. Travel expenses were small because fuel and storage costs amounted to only \$57, making an average of about 35 cents a mile.

Total travel time of 19 hours was so divided that the maximum time in the air on any one day was three and a half hours.

They left Pikeville Sunday morning in their two-place, high-wing monoplane and visited Huntington, Columbus and Toledo before stopping in Detroit for the night.

The second day they landed in Windsor, Canada, for a Custom's check. Taking off, they landed in St. Thomas before going on to spend the night in Toronto. The third night found them in Montreal.

Heading back to the States on the fourth day, they had a Custom's check in Burlington, Vermont, then flew to Albany, New York. Thursday evening found them in Philadelphia, following a stop in Newburg, N. Y.



Curtis McClung, left, and Corbin Bobbitt are shown standing beside their plane.

They spent Friday and Saturday in Washington, D. C., before starting home Sunday. After one stop at Harrisburg, Virginia, they arrived in Pikeville on Sunday afternoon.

## Annual Picnic Held For Sporn Plant Employees

About 250 persons attended the annual picnic of employees of the Philip Sporn Plant and their families held at Gold Camp on September 12.

In a championship softball game, the operations department defeated the maintenance department and later successfully defended the title against a challenging team composed of members of H. J. Rader's shift.

## Kentucky

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Hugh Eads, Jr., son of Mr. Eads of the main accounting office, recently spoke to the Grayson Rotary Club on "The National Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge." Hugh was the tri-state area news reporter covering the event. The program was arranged by David Criswell while other employees attending included Hugh Eads, Sr., Jack Finkbone, Dick Macomb and Harry Miller, Miller, active in Scout circles for many years, was appointed chairman of the Camping and Activities Committee.

## Point Pleasant Club Elects New Officers

The Point Pleasant Appalachian Women's Club elected officers for the fall and winter term at a recent meeting of the group.

Officers elected were Mrs. M. C. Clark, president; Mrs. Bob Proglor, vice president; Mrs. Clifford Darst, secretary; Mrs. W. H. Stricklen, treasurer; Mrs. Claude Frishette, financial chairman, and Mrs. J. L. Twitty, publicity chairman.

## Hazard District Office Opening Of 1928



In 1928 the Hazard district of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company opened a new office building. Since that time, the district offices have been moved into a new, larger building. The picture above was made at the 1928 opening. How many of the people can you recognize? Those who have been identified are in the back row, left to right: R. E. Hodges, who is now Charleston division manager, the first man in the photo; the third person in the back row is Jim Brown; the sixth person is identified as Mrs. Buce; the seventh is R. E. David; the ninth, Louise Griffin; the thirteenth, Dan Burke; and the fourteenth, Gale Hall. On the front row are: Lillian Cole, M. C. Funk and Lois Rouse.

## Roanoke Division

### System Offices

W. S. Kitchen of the system safety department attended the national convention of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity at Niagara Falls, Canada, Sept. 10-15. He is serving his sixteenth year as Grand Secretary of the fraternity.

Vacationers: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ebeling vacationed at Williamsburg where they attended a performance of "The Common Glory," Ann Cooper, at Haysi, Va., and Erie, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Coleman, at Virginia Beach, and Mrs. Rae Chandler, at Washington, D. C.

Mabel Yearout is a new employee in the system real estate and right of way department.

Mildred Hudson, billing department, entertained employees of the billing office at her home on Dale Avenue on Sept. 8, with a chicken dinner. Twenty guests attended and enjoyed the social hour following the dinner.

Alberta Coleman, system operating department in Charleston, visited Rochester, Minn., on her vacation and was an attendant at her cousin's wedding while there.

Melvin Neal left the company to study radio and television at Washington, D. C. He was formerly employed in the system real estate and right-of-way department.

Vacationers: Mrs. Helen Hiner and husband vacationed in New York and Canada for two weeks; Robbie Ayers, in New York and Canada, and Mrs. Robert Overstreet, at Washington, D. C.

Roy Sorrels, husband of Geraldine Sorrels, system accounting office, returned to active service in the Navy on September 8, and is stationed at Norfolk.

Vacationers: Helen Pearson vacationed in Montreal and Quebec, Canada; Carl R. Hedgecock, at Newport News and Buckroe Beach; Winifred Rotella, at Virginia Beach and High Point; Jayne West, at Hagerstown, New York City and in North Carolina; S. A. Thomas, in Johnson City, Tenn., and Ruth Poindexter, in Florida.

Sympathy is extended H. P. Dodd, system accounting office, on the death of his mother.

D. P. Nofsinger, Carl Smith and Reed Carlton, system accounting office, have returned to work after two weeks' reserve training at Camp Lee and Fort Bragg.

Mike, Doug and Bill Griffin, small sons of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Griffin of Ashland, are recovering from polio in a Lexington, Ky., hospital. Mr. Griffin is an employee of the system accounting department.

Evangeline Ratcliffe, system accounting office, resigned to move to Bountiful, Utah, where she will reside with her parents.

Vacationers: M. L. Burdette vacationed at Parkersburg and Atlantic City; A. L. Thurston, at Hillsboro, Texas, visiting his son and family; Marie Poindexter, at York, Pa., and Richmond; Dolphine English and Aileen Secrist, at Lincoln and Rushville, Neb.; Morene Turnbull, in North Carolina, and Shirley Quinn, at Lawrence, Kan.

Frances Whitlock, system accounting office, won \$100 in a recent contest sponsored by a Roanoke store.

### Lynchburg District

Vacationers: Roy Tibbs, pay-roll supervisor, vacationed at Baltimore; R. L. Hatch, Ruesens plant supervisor, in Alabama; Jane Armistead, commercial department, at Rich-



mond; Jack Shelton, commercial department, at Williamsburg; Ralph H. Johnson, at Belmont, N. C., and Rex Smith, drafting room, at Virginia Beach.

R. D. Curtis donated one pint of blood to Central Virginia's Blood Bank.

Doris Driskill, line department, vacationed at Washington, D. C., and Baltimore.

Sympathy is extended James H. Haley, Jr., on the death of his mother on September 19.

The annual mass chest X-ray drive for employees and residents of Lynchburg is in progress. J. A. Mundy, personnel director, has typed cards of all Lynchburg employees of the company and requests them to be X-rayed when equipment is near their place of business.

A. H. Guill, substation department, vacationed in Florida.

Bill Hogan, meter department, donated a pint of blood to Central Virginia's Blood Bank.

New employees in the Lynchburg

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## Bluefield Division

### Abingdon District

Vacationers: Thomas J. Ferguson vacationed at his home in Scranton, Pa.; Charlie Hale, at Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carrico, at Wheeling, W. Va.

N. W. Fuller is convalescing at his home following a stay at the Grundy hospital.

J. N. Smith has resigned his position with the company.

Sympathy is extended W. H. Callahan and Van E. Callahan on the recent death of their father in Abingdon.

V. O. Armentrout has returned to work after a recent illness.

Ishmael H. Mace is a new employee in the line department at Clintwood.

R. D. Wright is convalescing at his home in Damascus.

Robert J. Weisfeld is receiving treatment at the McGuire Veterans Hospital in Richmond.

### Welch District

B. A. Widener is recuperating from an operation at a local hospital.

M. C. Porterfield, assistant district manager, has moved his family to Welch from Pulaski.

New employees in the Welch district are: Billy Whittaker, meter reader; Cecil Keen, line gang, and Faye Surratt, commercial department.

D. C. Wright is back at work following an illness.

Mrs. Nancye Quesenberry resigned her position.

### Bluefield District

Jeanette Brown and Frances Keller are new employees in the Bluefield accounting department.

Maxine Bailey is a new employee in the Princeton office.

### Pulaski District

Christine McPeak, pay-roll department, has returned to work after undergoing an operation at the Pulaski Hospital

Opal Smythers, pay-roll department, is recuperating from an operation.

## Kingsport

Vacationers: Mabel Moore vacationed at Chattanooga with friends; "Cap" Willhoit and family, in Florida; Kenneth Rowland and family, at Maryville, Tenn., and Bill Childress, fishing at Norris, Douglas and Cherokee lakes where his record catch was a six pound bass.

G. W. Gott, meter reader, underwent a major operation at the Holston Valley Hospital.

J. A. Randall, Jr., son of the meter superintendent, has been called into the service and is stationed at Fort Story, Va.

## Kentucky

### Hazard District

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caudill of the Commercial department spent their vacation in Florida.

Florene Howard has returned to school after working during the summer in the commercial department.

New employees in the Hazard district include William David Begley, Graville Combs, Bill Deaton and Kay Boyer.

Helen Robertson is back on the job after a few weeks' illness.

Thomas Griffin and Bradley Dixon spent some time squirrel hunting in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Brashear, Jr., spent their vacation in Oklahoma.

Mildred Gabbard spent her vacation with her brother who is to leave for military duty.

### Pikeville District

Cpl. William Allen Blackburn, son of Allen Blackburn, mechanic, is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, with the 526 AAA Gun Bn.

Pvt. James W. Bailey, son of Jim Bailey, mechanic, is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., with the 36th Army Band of the Third Armored Division.

Sympathy is extended Harold Coleman, stores department, on the recent death of his mother.

Denver "Chomper" Layne, line foreman, is recovering from a dislocated shoulder that he received on sliding into third base in a softball game.

New employees in the Pikeville district are: Lynn A. Jennings, rural representative at Paintsville; Tommy Meadows, PBX operator; Angle Blackburn, auto mechanic, and William C. Charles, distribution department.

The accounting department picnic at the Beaver Creek substation was a success, despite rain, due to the hospitality of Cliff Aders, John Lafferty and Curtis Wallen, the three operators at the substation.

The following have left company employment: Walter Billiter, distribution department; George Venters and Lester Tackett, accounting department; Richard Damron, meter department, and Don Prater, James C. Owens and Margaret Alley, commercial department.

### Ashland District

New employees in the Ashland dis-

trict are Lorayne Watson, local accounting office, and R. E. Conley, transmission and distribution department.

Vacationers: O. F. Sutphin and family vacationed at Roanoke; Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Johnston, at New York City; A. R. Surbaugh, at Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Humphrey, in Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sallee and daughter, at Lexington and Harrodsburg.

Lila Lee Simpson went to Chicago to see her brother graduate from optometry school.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Scott on the death of Mrs. Scott's mother, Mrs. Bertha W. Cummings. Mr. Scott is assistant general manager.

Vacationers: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ellis vacationed in Atlantic City, New York, Boston, Canada and Niagara Falls; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Davis, in the eastern states and Canada, and Roy and Billie Vanhorn, in Louisville.

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## Charleston Division

### Cabin Creek Plant

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Casto and sons vacationed at Toledo, Fort Wayne and Chicago.

Mrs. Howard Bowen is home after undergoing a minor operation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Allinder and baby spent their vacation at Point Pleasant.

Robert G. Gordon, of Shrewsbury, is the new draftsman in the results department. He formerly worked at the Cabin Creek Plant in 1942.

Mrs. Frank Massey, mother of K. F. Massey, is home again after undergoing a leg amputation.

Ray N. Patterson's 18-month-old son, Robert David, was stricken with infantile paralysis and taken to the Marmet Children's Hospital.

### Philip Sporn Plant

Sympathy is extended John W. Dawson on the death of his father on August 12, at Brilliant, Ohio.

Sympathy is extended George Wright on the death of his father, who died in the Meigs General Hospital at Pomeroy, Ohio, on September 9.

### Beckley District

Daniel Covey vacationed at Lynchburg where his daughter is librarian at Lynchburg College.

H. G. Stone, groundman, resigned to enter college.

J. S. McNeish resigned to accept a coaching job at Stoco High School.

Mrs. Betsy Kelly, engineering department, was presented with farewell gifts from fellow employees upon her recent resignation.

Mrs. Orva L. Howell is a new employee in the accounting department at the Oak Hill office.

George Rahal, auto mechanic, resigned to attend college.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Pauley toured the northern states and Canada on vacation.

Mrs. Jean Ferrell was presented

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## Huntington Division

### Huntington District

Vacationers: Pauline Smith vacationed at Miami Beach; Lucille Arbaugh, at Ocean View, Va., and Reba Hanshaw, at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Gene Arbaugh was recently called into active service with the Navy. He is the husband of Lucille Arbaugh of the system billing office.

Doris Ramsey was selected "Typical Freshman Girl" at a dance given recently at Marshall College. She is the daughter of Jesse Ramsey of the system billing office.

About 75 people attended the picnic given for employees of the system billing office and their guests at Camp Mad Anthony Wayne recently. A supper of ham, baked beans, potato salad and ice cream was followed by dancing in the evening.

New employees in the Huntington district are: Stella Buttrick, Vonalea Boggs, Kenneth E. Quate, Richard Baumgardner and Betty Sawyer Bourne, all of the transmission and distribution department; Eugene V. Copeland and Charles E. Hall, production department, and William H. Giles and Audra M. Black, accounting department.

### Logan District

New employees in the Logan district are: H. D. Browning and C. E. Gore, accounting department; C. R. Shepherd, C. E. McComas and L. D. Adams, production department; Dorothy Mae Matthews, Madison office; Paul A. Ferrell, transmission and distribution department, and Paul F. Sammons, meter department.

Clark Hansbarger, Boyd Richardson, Jr., and Albert Mingrone, summer employees in the commercial department, resigned to return to school.

Vacationers: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kirchner and family vacationed in Chicago and Michigan; J. A. Patterson and family motored through Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Missouri and Illinois while on vacation, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kirk vacationed in Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia.

Edith Overton is a new home economist in the commercial department. She was employed September 1, and attended the home economist's school in Bluefield.

Delmar Hager, power sales engineer, has resigned his position to enter the West Virginia Law School.

### Williamson District

Vacationers: Kermit Epperly and family vacationed at Roanoke; Joe Clouser and family, at Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cross, in Virginia and Maryland; H. W. Cerrato and family, at Cincinnati; Arnold Hatfield, in Huntington; Charles Ray Williamson, at Savannah, and Leroy Harrison, in North Carolina.

Joe Hatfield of the line department has returned to work following a period of illness.

Charles Maroudas, Tom Vernon and Walter Oakes, summer employees in the commercial department, have returned to college.

Louise Shultz of Knoxville is the new home economist in the Williamson District.

Billie Rose Fitzgerald, of the commercial department, resigned to make her home in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bailey toured the South during their vacation.

The K-Appa-Klub held a wiener roast at Kawanee State Park on September 8 with Mrs. Billie Rose Fitzgerald, Nancy Baldwin and Betty

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## Twenty Couples United In Marriage



Shown above are eleven of the recent brides in the three companies. Left to right, first row: Mrs. C. Harold Hanks, Beckley; Mrs. Thurman Brown, Welch; Mrs. Dewey L. Martin, Fieldale; and Mrs. Richard C. Haas, Lynchburg. Second row: Mrs. Charles McCoy, Williamson; Mrs. Donald Kersey, Bluefield; Mrs. T. L. Humphries, Beckley; and Mrs. Charles F. Eakin, Roanoke. Third row: Mrs. Cleveland Holmes, Abingdon; Mrs. Irvn J. Jones, Beckley; and Mrs. John R. Clement, Roanoke.

### Patterson-Jones

Miss Frances W. Patterson became the bride of Irvn J. Jones on September 1 at Clifton Forge, Va.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones are employed by Appalachian in the Rainelle office.

### Jones-Wilson

Miss Patsy Jones was married to Kyle Wilson on September 15 at the Alloy Baptist Church, Alloy, W. Va.

Mr. Wilson is an employee in the distribution department, Montgomery.

### Spencer-Cromer

Miss Betty Jane Spencer and Guy F. Cromer were united in marriage on September 16 at the McKendree Methodist Church, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Cromer is employed in the system real estate and right of way department, Roanoke.

### Grinstead-Rice

Miss Betty Lou Grinstead and Clyde D. Rice were married September 16 in a ceremony at the St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Haven, W. Va.

Mrs. Rice is employed in the construction department and Mr. Rice is employed in the maintenance department of the Philip Sporn Plant.

### Perry-McCoy

The marriage of Miss Juanita Perry and Charles McCoy was solemnized on September 1 at the First Baptist Church in Williamson.

Mrs. McCoy is a cashier in the local accounting office in Williamson.

### Lazenby-Eakin

The West End Methodist Church in Roanoke was the scene of the wedding of Miss Frances Estelle Lazenby and Charles Francis Eakin on August 25.

Mrs. Eakin is an employee of the system real estate and right-of-way department in Roanoke.

### McCue-Kersey

The Episcopal Church in Bluefield was the scene of the wedding of Miss Mary Frances McCue and Donald Kersey on September 2.

Mrs. Kersey is employed in the Bluefield accounting department.

### Austin-Martin

Miss Betty Jane Austin became the bride of Dewey Levy Martin on September 2 at Martinsville, Va.

Mrs. Martin is employed in the commercial department at Fieldale.

### Cline-Humphries

The First Baptist Church in Beckley was the scene of the marriage of Virginia Lee Cline to T. L. Humphries on September 8.

Mr. Humphries is an employee of the Beckley accounting department.

### Cole-Hanks

Miss Margaret Cole and C. Harold Hanks were united in marriage on August 27 in Point Pleasant.

Mrs. Hanks is employed in the Beckley accounting department.

### Pais-Baker

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miss Frances L. Pais and Robert L. Baker at the First Methodist Church, Bluefield, on September 16.

Mrs. Baker is employed in the Bluefield distribution department.

### Park-Dooley

Mrs. Louise Park and Glenn Dooley were married on September 8 in Ashland.

Mrs. Dooley is employed as an authorization clerk in the Ashland office.

### McGuire-Harriman

In a wedding ceremony at Pulaski, Va., Miss Elsie McGuire and Ronald Harriman were married on August 18.

Mr. Harriman is employed in the drafting department at Pulaski.

### Hammonds-Holmes

Miss Betty Jane Hammonds became the bride of Cleveland Holmes on September 2 at the Plasterco Methodist Church.

Mrs. Holmes is employed in the accounting department at Abingdon.

### Breedlove-Clement

Miss Jacqueline Breedlove and John R. Clement were united in marriage on September 9 at Victoria, Va.

Mrs. Clement is a former employee in the Roanoke accounting office.

### Johnson-Capehart

Miss Mary E. Johnson was married to Floyd H. Capehart at the First Baptist Church, Weirton, W. Va., on August 26.

Mr. Capehart is a filter plant operator at the Philip Sporn Plant.

### Riner-Maynor

The wedding of Ila Mae Riner and Robert W. Maynor was performed on August 21 at the Covington Methodist Church in Covington.

Mr. Maynor is an employee in the stores department in Beckley.

### Gross-Hensley

Miss Eleanor Gross and Warren Hensley were married on September 7. Mrs. Hensley is employed in the meter department in Williamson.

### Romano-Kiser

Miss Judith Romano and James H. Kiser were wed at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bluefield, on September 2.

Mr. Kiser is with the line crew in Tazewell, Va.

### Ellis-Brown

In a wedding ceremony in Princeton, W. Va., Miss Verla Joe Ellis and Thurman Brown were married on September 2.

Mrs. Brown was formerly employed as a cashier in the Welch office.

## Feminine Fancies

### Halloween Party Grown-Up Style



Come skeletons and rattle your bones—it's time to howl and make merry! And as for you mortals, scoop out the pumpkins, set up refreshments; Halloween is just around the corner.

Who said Halloween is child's play? The scariest ghosts and goblins in the land stand six feet tall. So fill up the tubs with water and big red apples, dig out a bunch of childhood party tricks and throw a full-grown party. Fantastic costumes, of course, and games galore.

Refreshments are an important part of a successful Halloween party: Good nibbling food scattered about the house—molasses popcorn balls, peanuts, potato chips, and a big bowl of apple cider.

To round out the party, coffee and Halloween pies hit the spot. They're mighty good for the family, too. Here's a recipe for spicy pumpkin pie with the good familiar flavor of New Orleans molasses, and pastry shells that are extra special, made with bran to complement the molasses-flavored pumpkin.

#### HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN PIES

##### Filling

- 1 No. 2½ can pumpkin
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons molasses
- ¼ teaspoon cloves
- 1½ teaspoons cinnamon
- 1½ teaspoons ginger
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 4 eggs, slightly beaten
- 2 cups scalded milk

Combine ingredients in order given; mix well. Pour into unbaked pastry shells. Bake in hot oven (425-450° F.) 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350° F. and bake 20 to 25 minutes.

#### BRAN PASTRY SHELLS

- 1/3 cup bran
- 2 cups sifted flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cup shortening
- 6 tablespoons cold water (more or less)

Crush bran into fine crumbs; mix with flour and salt. Cut in shortening. Add water a little at a time, mixing until dough is just moist enough to

### Tolley-Haas

The double-ring ceremony performed at the Grace Memorial Episcopal Church, in Lynchburg, united in marriage Miss June Marilyn Tolley and Richard C. Haas on August 19.

Mr. Haas is a groundman in the Lynchburg district.

hold together. Roll out to 1/8-inch thickness on lightly floured board. Fit into two 8-inch pie pans or four 4-inch pie pans. Trim, leaving 3/4 inch overhang. Flute edge by placing tip of forefinger of right hand on inside rim of pastry and thumb and index finger of left hand on outside rim. Press to form flute.

### New Arrivals . . .

PIKEVILLE—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Warnie Blackburn. Mr. Blackburn is employed in the distribution department.

WELCH—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor are the parents of a daughter, Deborah Sue, born on August 26. Mr. Taylor is a serviceman.

ROANOKE—A daughter, Martha Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Hicks on September 6. Mr. Hicks is employed in the system real estate and right-of-way department.

HAZARD—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Creal Lusk on September 15. Mr. Lusk is an employee of the meter department.

ROANOKE—Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Price, Jr., a son, Charles Gregory, on August 23. Mr. Price is employed in the system accounting office.

PIKEVILLE—Mr. and Mrs. Glen Potter are the parents of a son, Larry Wayne. Mr. Potter is employed in the meter department.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—A son, William Ralph Hayes III, was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hayes on September 12. Mr. Hayes is employed in the maintenance department.

LOGAN—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Atkins on September 4. Mr. Atkins is employed as a collector.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Titus are the parents of a son, Stephan Edward, born July 20. Mr. Titus is a maintenance man.

LOGAN—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Louie Barker on August 26. Mr. Barker is in the coal handling department at the Logan plant.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—Mr. and Mrs. John D. Dawson are the parents of a daughter, Pamela Carol, born August 19. Mr. Dawson is employed in the operating department.

BECKLEY—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hughes are the parents of a son, Douglas Lee, born September 6. Mr. Hughes is employed in the Beckley district substation department.

CABIN CREEK—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. McGraw on August 15. Mr. McGraw is in the production department of the Cabin Creek Plant.

### They're Engaged

ASHLAND—Miss Jane Eyre Scott to Hugh M. Wittich. Miss Scott is the daughter of H. S. Scott, who is the assistant general manager in Ashland.

HUNTINGTON—Miss Mary Ann Lyons to William Enrico. Miss Lyons is employed in the system billing office and Mr. Enrico is employed in the meter department.

LYNCHBURG—Miss Mary Everett Whitney to Earl Rucker Driskill. Mr. Driskill is employed in the commercial department.

ABINGDON—Miss Doris R. James to James E. Fleenor. Miss James is an employee of the managerial department and Mr. Fleenor is employed in the meter department.



### Veterans Of 20 Years Or More Service

#### Kingsport Utilities

10 years: R. E. Wells, substation department.  
 5 years: E. A. Clay, meter department.

#### Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company

##### Ashland District

25 years: Mrs. Louise Cash, managerial department, and Paul A. Scaggs, local accounting department.

##### Hazard District

20 years: G. C. Branson, stores department.  
 15 years: Shade Reynolds, transmission and distribution department.  
 5 years: Hershel Adams and Truman Hurt, transmission and distribution department.

##### Pikeville District

25 years: Charlie McKinney, district superintendent.  
 15 years: Cecil Deboard, transmission and distribution department.  
 5 years: Ireland Layne, transmission and distribution department.

#### Appalachian Electric Power Company

##### Abingdon District

25 years: W. G. Blevins, substation department.  
 5 years: R. P. Miller, V. R. Parris and Charles W. Frye, transmission and distribution department.

##### Beckley District

25 years: L. C. Mollohan, substation department.  
 15 years: O. G. Idleman, substation department.  
 5 years: E. D. Taylor and J. G. Heslop, transmission and distribution department; Helen A. Troutman and Peggy D. Lynch, accounting department.

##### Bluefield District

25 years: A. R. Grinstead, distribution department.

##### Fieldale District

15 years: W. F. Parcell, transmission and distribution department.  
 10 years: R. S. Funk, commercial department.

##### Glen Lyn Plant

25 years: Mike Dent, production department.

##### Huntington District

25 years: D. J. Rowe, production department; A. B. Ferguson, accounting department; J. B. Smith, meter department; J. J. Galligher and C. D. Bassford, transmission and distribution department.

##### Logan District

25 years: W. H. Honaker, transmission and distribution department.  
 15 years: J. W. Ruff, production department.  
 5 years: Orville Napier, transmission and distribution department; Alvie Napier and Elinor W. Hale, production department.

##### Lynchburg District

30 years: J. R. Martin, transmission and distribution department.  
 5 years: J. D. Harker, transmission and distribution department; Joyce Brown, right-of-way department; Lucian Bledsoe, local accounting department.

##### Pulaski District

15 years: B. Q. Sharp, production department.  
 10 years: H. F. Rotenberry, production department.  
 5 years: W. M. King, J. B. Nickols, C. W. Alley and R. N. Burnett, all of the transmission and distribution department; A. V. Bailey, meter department.

##### Roanoke District

20 years: R. O. Dennis, local accounting department.  
 10 years: H. A. Hale, substation department.

##### System Offices

30 years: W. F. Keehne, system accounting office; J. J. Armstrong and A. B. Litteral, system operation department.  
 25 years: R. H. Price and M. L. Burdette, system accounting office; H. A. Clark, system substation department.  
 10 years: R. J. Stinnett, system civil engineering department.  
 5 years: Lorene Nichols, executive department and Estelle H. Stanley, system accounting office.

##### Welch District

20 years: R. A. Gilmore, substation department.  
 5 years: G. T. Lineberry and Walter Crouse, transmission and distribution department.



Shown above are 22 employees who recently completed 20 years or more service. Top row, left to right: C. A. McKinney, Pikeville, 25 years; G. C. Branson, Hazard, 20 years; J. R. Martin, Lynchburg, 30 years; C. D. Bassford, Huntington, 25 years. Second row: W. G. Blevins, Abingdon, 25 years; W. F. Keehne, system accounting, Roanoke, 30 years; A. B. Ferguson, Huntington, 25 years; Mrs. Louise Cash, Ashland, 25 years. Third row: W. H. Honaker, Logan, 25 years; J. J. Armstrong, system operations, Roanoke, 30 years; Mike Dent, Glen Lyn plant, 25 years; J. J. Galligher, Huntington, 25 years. Fourth row: D. J. Rowe, Kenova Plant, 25 years; L. C. Mollohan, Beckley, 25 years; R. O. Dennis, Roanoke, 20 years; J. B. Smith, Huntington, 25 years; H. A. Clark, system substation department, Roanoke, 25 years. Fifth row: M. L. Burdette, system accounting, Roanoke, 25 years; A. B. Litteral, Switchback, 30 years; A. R. Grinstead, Bluefield, 25 years; R. H. Price, system accounting office, 25 years; and Paul Scaggs, Ashland, 25 years.

### Henry Clayton Searls, Cabin Creek Plant, Dies At His Home In Chelyan

Henry Clayton Searls, assistant shift supervisor at the Cabin Creek Plant, died recently at his home in Chelyan, W. Va.

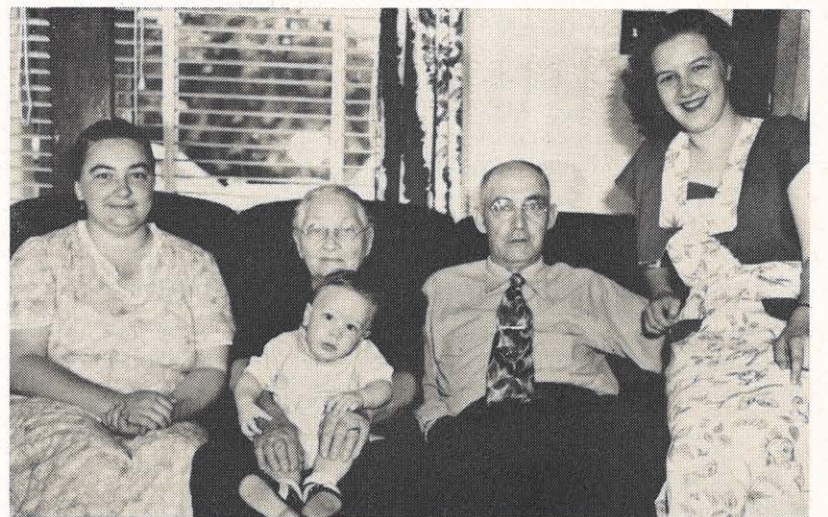


He participated in many church and community activities and was a member of the Chelyan Baptist Church choir.

Mr. Searls is survived by his widow and four children, Harry, William, John and Lena.

Mr. Searls, who was 59 years old at the time of his death, had been ill for over five months. He had been employed at the Cabin Creek Plant since August 9, 1925.

### Five Generations Of Johnson Family Attend Party



Five generations of the J. H. Johnson family are pictured above at a recent party in Kenova, W. Va. From left to right are Mrs. Clarence Copley, Mrs. J. H. Johnson holding her great-great grandson, Stephen Gilliam, D. F. Johnson and Mrs. Glen Gilliam. Mr. Johnson has been employed at the Kenova Plant for 26 years. His mother is 84 years old and has 228 living descendants including 12 children, 67 grandchildren, 130 great-grandchildren and nine great-great grandchildren.

## Sixteen More Employees Enter Service As Manpower Demand Increases



Howard C. Hall

James K. Reid

Elroy Kaylor

Sixteen more employees were reported leaving their duties for military service since last month's first 13 employees answered the call to duty.

Seven of the 16 men reported this month are entering the Navy, four are going to the Air Corps, and two to the Army. The branch of service entered by three employees was not reported.

Louey Damon Bailey, Welch district serviceman in Pocahontas, was recalled to active service in the Navy on September 6 and is waiting orders at Norfolk, where he is stationed.

Elroy Kaylor, laborer at the Philip Sporn Plant, was recalled to duty with the Army and reported September 14 to Fort Knox, Ky.

James H. Watson, results helper at the Philip Sporn Plant, enlisted in the Navy and left for duty August 29 as engineman 3c, a rating he held in World War II. He is the son of "Hank" Watson, maintenance foreman at the Philo Plant.

Marvin Roush, auxiliary equipment operator at the Philip Sporn Plant, was recalled to duty in the Navy September 11 as fireman 1c and is stationed at Great Lakes.

James K. Reid, Lynchburg district groundman, left August 18 for active duty in the Navy. Having served four years in the last war, he plans to make the Navy his career.

Howard C. "Buck" Hall, office messenger in the Lynchburg district, was called to active duty with the Navy on August 22 when his unit went to Norfolk for induction.

Ralph K. Baber, a co-op student in the Huntington commercial department, was called to active duty in the Air Corps and left for training September 12 at Camp Keesler, Miss. He was enrolled as a cooperative student with his school year divided into four sections, two spent at Georgia Tech and two in the commercial department.

Carl B. Murrell, Beckley district commercial department, has been called to active duty with the Navy.

J. R. Abshire, groundman in the Beckley district, has entered active duty with the Navy.

H. F. Bogar, Williamson distribution department, has been recalled to active duty and reported to Fort Thomas, Ky.

Clay C. Daniels, Ashland district transmission and distribution department,

### Citation Awarded To Appalachian On 1949 Shareholders Report

Appalachian's 1949 Annual Report to Shareholders received a citation awarded by Financial World for improvement "in content, format or typography in the survey of 2,500 annual reports examined during 1950."

The honorable mention for progress reflected in its 1949 report as compared with the report of a decade ago was signed by the publisher of Financial World and the director of the annual survey, Weston Smith, executive vice president of the publication.

## Effects Of New Social Security Law Explained

Congress has passed a new Social Security Old Age Benefits Law. As a result, you can expect larger monthly Social Security payments after you retire. The payments will be larger for those already retired, too. The increased Social Security payments will be paid beginning October 1.

In brief, here's how the new law will affect you:

Those now retired and drawing Social Security will, on the average, receive increases of about 77 per cent. If you are now receiving Social Security payments, the following figures will give you an idea of how much your primary benefits will be from now on.

If You Now Receive A Month	You Will Receive A Month
\$25	\$46.50
30	54
35	59.20
40	64
45	68.50

Any benefits being paid to your dependents will be increased in the same way. For example, if your wife has been receiving payments equal to one-half of your primary benefits, she will receive one-half of your increased primary benefit.

If you retire before July, 1952, your Social Security payments will be calculated in the same way as for those now retired. You will receive the same increases that they are going to receive as indicated by the table above.

If you retire after June 30, 1952, your payments will be figured in a different way. Those who become eligible after that date will receive benefit payments amounting to 50 per cent of the first \$100 plus 15 per cent of the next \$200 of your average monthly income. Thus if you had averaged \$250 a month during the time you were paying Social Security taxes, your primary benefit would amount to \$72.50, 50 per cent of \$100 and 15 per cent of \$150. Your dependents benefits would be based on this primary benefit. The following table gives an idea of payments in case of retirement after June 30, 1952.

Average Monthly Wage	You Will Receive A Month
\$150	\$57.50
200	65.00
250	72.50
300	80.00

As in the past, dependent benefits are paid for wives over 65, for children under 18 and for dependent parents. Payments are continued to these dependents in case the person receiving the primary benefit dies.

The higher social security payments are going to result in higher taxes later on. The present 1 1/2 per cent tax will continue until 1954 but beginning January 1, 1951, you and the company will each pay this tax on the first \$3,600 of yearly income rather than on \$3,000 as in the past. The law provides that the tax rate will gradually be increased until you and the company will each be paying 3 3/4 per cent by 1970.

### Ashland After-School Nutrition Course Is Featured In Magazine

A feature article about the nutrition course conducted at Ashland by Mrs. Helen Eaton, home economist for the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company, appeared in the September issue of *McCall's Home Service Bulletin*.



Louey D. Bailey

Ralph K. Baber

ment, joined the Air Corps.

Naaman R. Pridmore, Logan district maintenance force, is serving with the Air Force at San Antonio, Texas.

Robert Oakley, Logan district meter department, is serving with the Army.

Wallace J. Deskins, operating department of the Logan Plant, recently left to serve in the Air Corps at San Antonio, Texas.

Earl Smith, Hazard line department, and Robert Trent, Hazard engineering department, have received the call for military duty.

## Kathryn Stewart, PBX Operator, Dies In Charleston



Mrs. Kathryn Holstein Stewart, Charleston PBX operator, died September 18, following a brief illness.

Mrs. Stewart will be remembered by most employees as winner of the companies' "Name Your Newspaper" contest. She was the first of five persons to submit the name selected by judges for this publication.

Mrs. Stewart was born in Charleston and was graduated from Charleston High School. Following her graduation, she was employed by Appalachian from 1927 through 1931. She returned to the company again in 1933 and served through 1936, then a third time from 1947 to the time of her death.

Mrs. Stewart was active in church functions and was quite fond of collecting antiques, raising flowers and gardening. She also was prominent in company activities and well-liked by her associates.

She is survived by her husband, W. H. Stewart, one son, William Herman, Jr., and a daughter, Carolyn Sue.

# Familiar Faces IN NEW PLACES

## Appalachian Electric Power Company

### Beckley District

Employee From To

Clyde A. Marshall, Groundman . . . . . Jr. distribution records clerk  
W. F. Epling, . . . . . Jr. bookkeeper. . . . . Contract entry and final bill clerk

### Cabin Creek Plant

Kent L. Newlin . . . Logan Plant. . . . . Cabin Creek Plant

### Charleston District

Jeanne Crawford . . . Charleston office. . . . . Cabin Creek Plant

### Lynchburg District

Eliza McDaniel . . . Senior PBX operator. . . Authorization clerk  
Ann F. Kagey . . . . . Local acct. dept. . . . . Commercial department  
Hazel B. Bell . . . Authorization clerk. . . . . Stenographer  
Edith B. Wofford . . . Cash poster. . . . . Senior PBX operator

### Roanoke District

Aubry E. Wash . . . Line department. . . . . Meter department  
E. T. Jones, Jr. . . . Office messenger. . . . . Jr. clerk  
J. Sherman Payne . . . Meter service helper. . . . . Serviceman C  
R. E. Slaydon . . . . . Engineering clerk. . . . . Engineering assistant  
M. E. Reed . . . . . Draftsman, Jr. . . . . Draftsman, Sr.  
R. A. Oliver . . . . . Jr. clerk. . . . . Jr. distribution records clerk

### Welch District

Bradford Porter . . . Grundy, Va. . . . . Welch office

### Philip Sporn Plant

H. N. Bass, Jr. . . . . Jr. test engineer. . . . . Tanners Creek Plant, Indiana & Michigan Elec. Co.  
R. J. Shepherdson . . . Philip Sporn Plant. . . . . Tanners Creek Plant, Indiana & Michigan Elec. Co.

## Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company

### Pikeville District

Bill Barnett . . . . . Engineering dept. . . . . Commercial department

### Kingsport Utilities

E. R. Barrett, Jr. . . . Serviceman A. . . . . Lineman A  
William D. Trent . . . Serviceman B. . . . . Serviceman A  
Coy A. Arnold . . . . . Maint. man helper. . . . . Maintenance man C  
Rufus E. Wells . . . . . Maintenance man B. . . . . Maintenance man A  
James J. Potts . . . . . Lineman B. . . . . Lineman A

## Don Evans Gets Pointers For Radio Program



Don Evans, center, learns how electricity is made at the Cabin Creek Plant in order to tell his listeners on Station WCHS, Charleston, what he is selling on his program. From left to right are: Harry Silling, district residential sales supervisor; Clarence Farley, operator; Evans, Edward Frank, Station WCHS, and Dale Hornbeck, supervisor.

Don Evans, Charleston's own version of Arthur Godfrey, recently took a trip through the Cabin Creek Plant in order to tell listeners to his daily radio program, "how this stuff, electricity, is made."

Appalachian is Evans' sponsor from 7:00 to 7:15 a. m. on Station WCHS, Monday through Saturday. Evans briefed listeners on his intended trip through Cabin Creek Plant and later told them about watching the process of generating electricity from the coal pit to the switch.

Impressed with the magnitude of the operation and the cleanliness of the plant, Evans was particularly

pleased with the number of pretty girls. Not content with getting their names, he insisted that he should have their telephone numbers in order to make his report "official."

The first broadcast after his trip he told "Don Evans Show" listeners the names of employees who showed him around the plant. He also told them of "the purty gurls, yeh, lots of purty gurls."

His program features musical recordings, weather forecasts, news highlights, some "off-the-cuff" chatter, a joke or two, and commercials on the magic, electric way of living.

## "Electricity—Public Or Private"

# Building Of Steam-Generating Plants By Federal Government Is A Phase In Growing Controversy

(SYNOPSIS—In the first two installments of the article, "Electricity—Public or Private?" which we are reprinting from the National City Bank of New York's publication, two main questions were given as the basis for the discussion. These questions are: "Can we as a nation afford federal government expenditures of such magnitude for these purposes on top of a federal budget already swollen to huge proportions and running a deficit?" and "Should we as a nation pursue policies that put the federal government in direct competition with privately owned business in one of the major sectors of the economy?"

The growth of public power since its beginning with Muscle Shoals was discussed and the arguments for federal power were listed. The arguments, pro and con, on power needs and private capital have been set forth. The difficult question of cost allocation in river development was presented for study and at the end of last month's installment an example of private enterprise carried out by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company with its \$62 million Feather River hydro-electric project was given)

### Controversy Over Federal Steam-Generating Plants

The President's signing of the First Deficiency Appropriation Bill on May 24, 1949, marked a new phase of the public versus private power issue. Included in this bill was an initial appropriation of \$2,500,000 for the TVA to begin construction at New Johnsonville, Tenn., of a steam-generating plant for production of electric energy. Total cost to complete this plant is about \$54,000,000. This was the first time that Congress had appropriated funds for construction in peacetime of a steam-generating station, output of which will be sold by a federal agency for ordinary commercial purposes. Two other

steam plants had been constructed by the Government in the TVA area, but under national defense measures, during World Wars I and II. Several government agencies had tried on previous occasions to obtain funds from Congress for steam plant construction, but until 1949 had met with defeat.

TVA stated that it needed additional generating capacity to supply the increased demand for power in its service area. It also contended that the additional capacity should be provided by construction of a steam generating plant to "firm up" existing hydro capacity—that is, to provide additional sources of power which would be available in times of low water conditions affecting hydro generation. While it is customary in the utility industry to "firm up" a hydro system with steam-generating plants, the big question was: Admitting the need for additional firm power, was it the Federal Government's proper function to build it or should it be supplied by alternative means?

At the Senate hearing on the matter in February, 1949, it was pointed out by opponents of the proposed plant that additional firm capacity could be made available to TVA by a well-engineered program of power pooling with neighboring electric utility systems, ready and eager to work out such a program. Another alternative was the possible construction of the plant by a local electric system which would integrate the output with TVA. Neither of these alternatives was acceptable to TVA.

The important point in the controversy over the New Johnsonville plant is the establishment of the precedent that a government agency, having possible alternatives, had the desire and got the appropriation to build a steam plant in peacetime to supply power for general distribution.

### Logan Leads

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Dunn and Carson Carmichael, Abingdon; J. C. Steele and J. C. Barker, Beckley; Ramsey Jones and W. D. Pearson, Welch; D. A. Nickell, Jr., and S. N. Johnson, Point Pleasant; F. L. Bocock and F. B. Flournoy, Bluefield; B. N. Thomas and R. L. Loudermilk, Charleston; W. E. Henderson, Lynchburg; H. A. Howbert and J. M. Peck, Jr., Roanoke; L. W. Jenkins and G. W. Turner, Fieldale; W. B. Jones and Jack Isley, Kingsport.

These men were guests at the Wilbur Wright Hotel at Nags Head for the last three days of September and enjoyed deep-sea fishing trips off the Outer Banks of North Carolina.

### Home Lighting School Held For Members Of Sullivan County Clubs

A home lighting school for Sullivan County home demonstration clubs was held September 14 by Joreka Rippetoe and Gladys Reece, of Kingsport Utilities, in cooperation with Juanita Bradley, home demonstration agent.

"Principles of Home Lighting" was the subject of a talk by Sarah Moore, Appalachian lighting consultant. Miss Moore also gave demonstrations on making lamps and reconvert-ing old lamps.

The lighting school was an introduction for the yearly, county-wide Improvement Campaign which is promoted by the Sullivan County Extension Service.

If this is to be the accepted principle, why not a government steam plant in every other area where federal hydro developments require firming up?

Government agencies, by their subsequent actions, have already given the answer. Over the past four years the Southwestern Power Administration has requested funds from Congress to build a steam-generating plant. Congress has denied these requests. Yet SPA now appears to have got what it wanted through a "lend-lease" deal with Rural Electrification Administration.

On January 31, 1950, REA approved loans aggregating \$30,900,000 to two REA "super-co-ops" for the purpose of building two steam-generating plants and over 1,000 miles of transmission lines in Missouri and Oklahoma. SPA has contracted to buy the output of the generating plants and to lease and operate the transmission lines for a period of 40 years. Meanwhile, efforts of the private companies to negotiate contracts for the purchase of SPA hydro power have been unavailing. Thorough integration of the SPA hydro system with the private companies in the area would supply the firm power needed for distribution, government agencies have again showed their desire to expand into the power business in spite of possible alternatives.

The fact that the SPA-REA "lend-lease" deal by-passed Congress is significant. Other deals of this type are pending in Virginia, Kentucky, and Texas. The question is, what is the limit?

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### Roanoke

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district are Nancy R. Roberts, junior pay-roll clerk, and James A. Martin, groundman.

Ray Davis, stores department, visited his parents in Georgia, who are celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Vacationers at Blackwater Substation include: W. D. Almond, E. B. Pinkard, who spent a week at Staunton River State Park, T. M. Sandridge, who vacationed at Norfolk, Chester, Pa., and fished at Lexington Park, Md., Harry Cumbey and J. L. Gray, who vacationed at Norfolk.

### Roanoke District

J. L. Loving, meter department, and wife spent a week vacationing at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Duckworth vacationed in West Virginia. He is an employee of the meter department.

Mrs. Jessie Chase, pay-roll department, vacationed at Virginia Beach in August.

C. T. Rader, meter department, flew to the stock car races at Darlington, S. C., over the Labor Day week end.

New employees in the meter department are Harry Cronise and Kenneth Martin.

Mrs. W. L. Gordon, meter department, Mr. Gordon, system accounting office, and daughter spent a week vacationing at Claytor Lake.

Among those who attended the seventh annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association and Crescent Temple Fall Frolic were B. H. McKeever, meter department superintendent, his wife and youngest son and W. S. Peck, retired substation superintendent. The convention was held in Atlantic City.

## 'Spin The Wheel' Attracts Many



The "Spin The Wheel" booth and exhibit, sponsored by the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company and nine area electric range dealers, attracted more than five thousand contestants during its five-day showing at the annual Boyd County Fair in Ashland. Hundreds of 100-watt electric light bulbs were awarded winners. Those winning also were registered for merchandise awards donated by the appliance dealers. The same style booth was also used at the Greenup County Fair. Shown above, R. W. Schweitzer, left, and D. P. Wade, both commercial department employees.

### Employee's Wife

## Mrs. J. E. Ford Says Company's Safety Program Is Important To The Family

Mrs. J. E. Ford, wife of Troubleshooter Jim Ford of Kingsport Utilities, says, "The company's safety program means a lot to me and my family since there is so little we can do personally to keep Jim safe when he is on the job."



Mrs. Ford, who has seen the results of an electrical accident, feels that what she can do to help her husband "is to try and keep family worries from my husband's mind when he leaves for work so he can fully concentrate on his duties. I make sure he is fully awake before he leaves on night trouble calls, too."

"The safety program gives me a great deal of satisfaction," she adds, "because it provides safety equipment, safety knowledge and makes one safety conscious."

## C. L. Walling Retires As Chief Statistician After Starting As Collector

Clifton L. Walling, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of both American Gas and Electric Company and the Service Corporation, retired August 31, after 39 years of service with the company and its affiliates.

Starting as a collector with the Muncie Electric Light Company in 1911, Mr. Walling was transferred to the accounting department in 1923 and became chief statistician in 1930. He was elected assistant secretary and assistant treasurer in 1945.

At a farewell dinner given him by his associates, he was given an electric wood-working lathe and an electric drill.

D. M. Tonge succeeds Mr. Walling as statistician while J. Ralph Setlemire became assistant statistician.

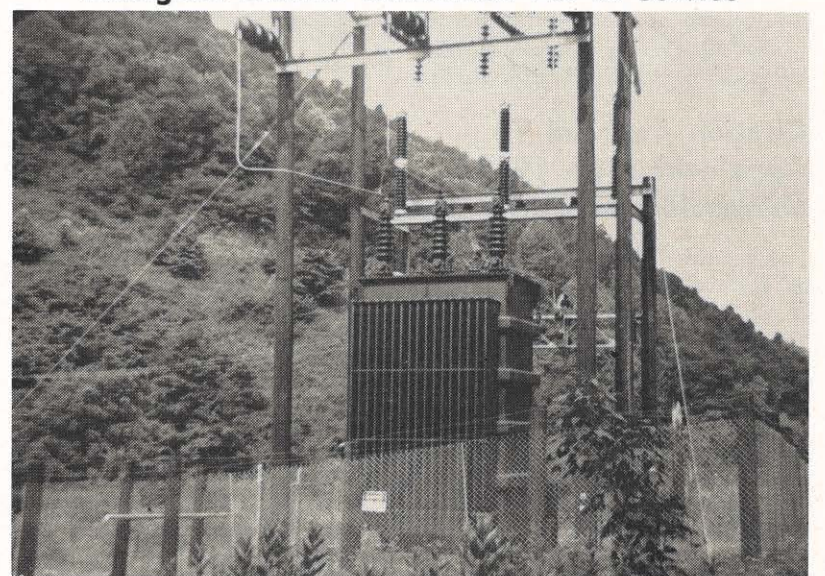
## Sporn Plant Ad Gets High Praise

Reproduced on the front cover of "Public Utility Ad-views" for September is the full-page advertisement, "New Frontier on the Ohio." This ad announced the dedication of the Philip Sporn Plant on July 27, and appeared in newspapers throughout the service area.

Ad-views reproduces and comments monthly on public utility advertising published in all sections of the country. Full front-page mention is reserved for advertising efforts considered especially praise-worthy by the publication's board of advertising executive judges.

The accompanying text describes the Sporn Plant ad as "beautiful and dignified. The copy presents statistics in an easy-to-read manner, and gets in a fine argument for private enterprise."

## Abingdon District Substation Put In Service



The new 88,000-volt Trammel substation shown above was recently energized to serve customers in the northern part of Scott County and the southwest part of Russell County. It is located about one mile east of Trammel, Virginia.

## Three New Members Of Molo Club Attend Fall Dinner Meeting

The first fall meeting of the Ashland Molo Club of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company was a dinner meeting on September 12. New members who became employees of the company this summer were presented to the club. They are Milly Lou Pope, main accounting office, Mrs. Charlene Shannon and Lorayne Watson, local accounting office.

Members of the dinner committee for the meeting were Mrs. Doris Sutton, chairman, Mrs. Clara Ward, Fern Gesling and Elizabeth Harrell. The club voted to hold meetings every other month with the next meeting scheduled November 14.

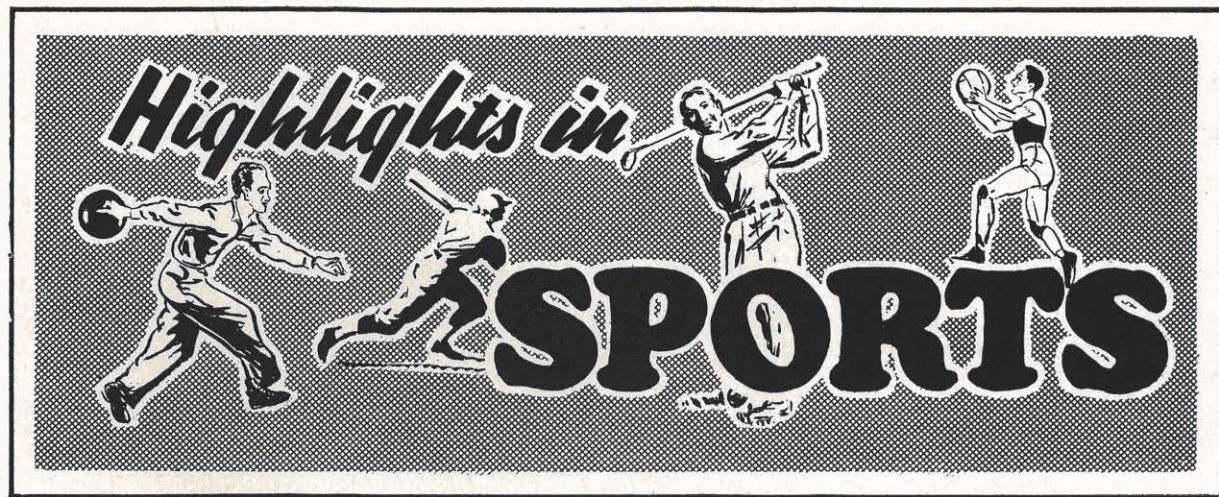
Jean Watts was a guest, while members present included Lila Lee Simpson, Felicia Billips, Martha Valentine, Lucille Goebel, Anne York, Elizabeth Burns, Jean Guenther, Virginia Lewis, Ruth Colley, Helen Eaton, Beulah Dewees, Gloria Lambert, Dorothy Lee Cox, Isabelle Carroll, Amy Watts, Helen Davis, Marie Thomas, Joan Young and Marilyn McWhorter.

## Glee Club Formed By Huntington Employees

Huntington district employees formed a Glee Club on September 18, under the direction of William Langstaff, commercial department. The first rehearsal was held September 25.

At an organizational meeting called by Chairman Ted McCurdy, Mrs. Louise Brown was elected secretary and librarian.





**Hazard Meter Department Families Enjoy Picnic**



Members and families of the Hazard district meter department are shown as they enjoy a picnic on Leatherwood Creek. The outing, which was held September 16, was earned by meter department employees for winning the April, May and June sales campaign sponsored by the commercial department. The gentleman with the looping horseshoe pitch is A. R. Barber, district manager.

**Charleston**

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farewell gifts from fellow employees in the commercial department upon her recent resignation.

Eddie McGinnis is a new employee in the distribution department.

W. W. Bennett is a new employee in the meter department assigned to the Rainelle office.

Ernest R. Biggs is a new employee in the accounting office.

**Charleston District**

Vacationers: Frank B. Thompson vacationed in northern Michigan and Canada; Mr. and Mrs. John J. Emerick, in Vermont; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Murray, Jr., at Myrtle Beach; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Griffiee, Jr., in the New England states; Mickey Bree, at Detroit; Thomas Poole, in Georgia, and Lyle and Kyle Buster, twin brothers in the Montgomery line crew, at Morgantown.

W. V. Hess, Montgomery line crew foreman, returned to work following a brief illness.

The new employee in the Charleston commercial department is Lois Wilson, clerk-stenographer.

Mrs. Betty Legg, cashier in the Montgomery office, has returned to work after a brief illness.

Dennis Caldwell of the Charleston storeroom and his family went to Indiana where Dennis and four other men, who served together in the last war, held a reunion.

**Cabin Creek Power Makers Club Holds Wiener Roast**



Just a few of the 300 people who attended the wiener roast given by the Power Makers Club of the Cabin Creek Plant are pictured above "making the rounds" by the food servers. Games and contests were other highlights of the outing on Appalachian Island on September 9.

**Beckley Starts Eight Mixed Teams In 1950 AEP Bowling League**

Sixty-four employees, playing on eight mixed teams, have launched the 1950-51, Beckley district AEP Bowling League competition.

According to Leo C. Bias, league president, "A successful bowling season is anticipated and enthusiasm is about the highest we have ever seen."

Bias said Beckley district bowlers have alternates on every team. This system was established in order to give each participant an equal opportunity to bowl the required number of games.

**Logan Softball Nine Wins The City League; Honored At Banquet**

Members of the Logan district softball squad were honored at a recent banquet following their winning of the City of Logan Businessmen's Softball League. The occasion was sponsored by the city of Logan.

Trophies and other forms of recognition were given members of the company team who were piloted to their championship by J. Wilson Ruff, player-manager of the AEP nine.

The company team won the title by handing the National Bank of Logan team a defeat in the final rounds of play.

**Huntington**

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Roach as hostesses. Members and guests attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Ballard Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Diamond, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Core, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. DeWese, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Justice, Betty Blackburn, Frances Keadle, Mary Jo Dingess, Tina Justice, Mabel Kiser, Jeanette Murphy, Jack Riddle, Tom Vernon, Tony Quattro and M. O. Allen, Jr.

Allen Long, Jr., engineer, recently returned to college.

Mrs. Pauline Rector, former commercial department employee, who now resides in Washington, D. C., was a recent visitor.

Ann Ardigo, summer employee in the accounting department, has returned to college.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Funk and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carpenter and son toured the southern states on vacation. Mr. Funk is a retired employee and Mr. Carpenter is employed in the distribution department.

**'Survey' Team Leads Huntington Keglers**

Huntington district's "Survey" bowlers, boasting an unblemished league record, have set a fast pace to lead the AEP eight-team circuit in the opening rounds. The "Survey" keggers have registered nine straight victories. The "Engineers," the second place team, have suffered but one set-back in the same number of starts.

The Huntington league, headed by Earl Wellman, president and Charles E. Hoschar, secretary and treasurer, is composed of eight company teams representing several departments. Departments participating in the 1950 bowling league are: Meter, line survey, substation, production, billing, commercial and engineering.

Individual honors for single game high are held by Herb Davis, line survey, with a 221 count. Ray Hibner's 579 pin record is the three game high. In the ladies, bracket, Pat Williamson, commercial, holds the single game high record with 147 pins. Lucille Arbaugh, billing, holds the season's three-game laurels with a 389 total.

**Point Pleasant Starts New Bowling League**

Unscheduled upsets and irregular events may cause many disappointments, but they never shatter the hopes of determined sportsmen. Such is the case of many Point Pleasant district bowlers.

Last season, the Point Pleasant district bowling enthusiasts of two teams hammered their way through a wide field to gain recognition among their rivals in the City Bowling League. A fire, which completely destroyed the bowling center, halted the play but never dampened the spirit. This year, six full teams responded to the first call of the season. As a result, an AEP league was formed as bowling was resumed at a new bowling center.

Teams entered in the new AEP loop represent the following departments: Distribution, meter, pay roll, engineering, construction and accounting. The pay-roll bowlers represent the Philip Sporn Plant employees.

High bowlers in the opening rounds were Bill Allen in the men's circuit and Faye Johnson in the Women's league.

**Hazard Kilowatts Enter All-Girls Team In Loop**

The Hazard district Kilowatts have placed a new all-girl bowling team into the 1950-51 league play.

Doshia Sizemore, La Redith Pratt, Lorraine Brashear, Sue Carey and Elizabeth Grigsby form the starting line-up for the Kilowatt keggers as they launch their initial season in the women's league.

**Logan Employee's Son Is Grid Co-Captain**



Gene Leeson, Jr., son of Gene Leeson, Logan district stores supervisor, has been named co-captain of the 1950 Logan High School football squad. Young Leeson shares the honors with Tom Townsend.

**Kingsport Bowling In Industrial Loop**

The Kingsport Utility bowlers, scrambling for honors in the Kingsport Industrial League, have an equal number of victories and defeats in league competition.

J. A. Randall, captain of the KUI keggers, said, "Although we got off to a slow start, I think the members of our team are pleased with our present rating. Naturally, we expect to better it."

Wilson Trumbo holds the season's high average and other team members include: C. E. Holyoke, J. T. Duncan, H. F. Wilhoit and M. C. Simpson.

**Fieldale Employees Enjoy Picnic**



More than one hundred employees and guests of the Fieldale district of Appalachian enjoyed their annual outing and picnic at Rocky Knob Park on the Blue Ridge Parkway in late August. Box lunches were served the picnickers and games of all descriptions were enjoyed.

Highlighting the entertainment was the district-wide softball clash between the "Rockets," an all-women's nine, and the "Paddlefoots," an all-male aggregation. Rain halted the clash and it is to be resumed next year despite Umpire Bruce Cox's attempt to award the game to the "Rockets." Shown above, top photograph, are members of the "Rockets" softball team. Left to right, front row, are: Ann Eggleston, Geraldine Lawless, Dot Shaw, Bertie Harlowe, Irene Minter, Audrey Harlowe; back row: District Manager Bruce Cox, Jewel Wigginton, Helen Minter and Mrs. L. Rakes. Bottom photograph, the "Paddlefoots," left to right, front row, are: C. E. Gibson, Gil Faison, C. A. Fudge; second row: W. E. Naff, R. A. Youngman, Bill Harlowe, W. G. Gourley; third row: A. B. Beheler, L. W. Jenkins, J. W. Vaughan, Porter Dunlap, Raymond Martin; back row: Al St. Clair and Lester Rakes.

Beckley Employee Is Queen

Raleigh County's Week-Long Centennial Program  
A Colorful Spectacle That Delighted Thousands



Queens ride in royal splendor on one of the many floats participating in the Centennial parade. Queen Myra Sue Roush, Miss Raleigh County, is looking toward the crowd while Miss Beckley, Mary Milano, shares the throne on the right.

Although Raleigh County made rapid progress in the past 100 years, its citizens proceeded at a slow rate during the Raleigh County Centennial as relics of the past made their way slowly down Beckley's Main Street before thousands of spectators. Old jalopies, bearded mountaineers 'totin' rifles, rigs pulled by horses, costumed youngsters and floats of every description depicting scenes in the county's history made the parades a delight to old and young alike.

Miss Myra Sue Roush, employee of the Beckley district personnel department, reigned as "Miss Centennial Queen." In addition to the honor of presiding over the Centennial celebration during the week of August 27-September 2, Miss Roush also won a week's vacation to Nassau in the Bahama Islands. Beckley merchants furnished her the luggage, clothing and cosmetics necessary for a trip "fit for a queen."

The week-long birthday celebration marked the 100th anniversary of Raleigh County, formed from Fayette County by act of the Virginia General Assembly. Although Hiram Hill, delegate from Fayette and Nicholas counties, presented the act, General Alfred Beckley wrote it and outlined the boundary lines of the county named "in memory of Sir Walter Raleigh who made the earliest effort to colonize Virginia."

The county has progressed rapidly and now has more than 300 churches of many faiths and denominations, 181 schools with an enrollment of over 23,000 pupils, a million-dollar airport under construction, a population of 96,032 compared to 1,765 in 1850, a daily newspaper, four radio stations and industries too numerous to mention.

The discovery of coal in 1896 at Royal gradually changed the county from an agricultural area to an industrial area producing much smokeless coal.

Although roads now criss-cross the country, early settlers were besieged with transportation difficulties. As an answer to their problem, early Virginia and West Virginia codes required all able-bodied citizens between the ages of 21 and 50 to work on the roads in their precincts at least two days a year, up to a maximum of four days. These pioneer road builders received a maximum of \$2.50 a day for their services.

Railroads played an important role in the development of the county, and the spur line built by the Chesapeake and Ohio in 1901 from Prince to Raleigh, a few miles from Beckley,

was an historic event. A few years later the Piney River and Paint Creek Railway built a six-mile line from Beckley Junction to Cranberry, offering the first passenger and mail service to Beckley.

With all of these developments now forming a part of the county's history, citizens of Raleigh County teamed together to give an elaborate celebration highlighted by a nightly pageant boasting a cast of 250 persons taking part in the 18-act production. The pageant traced the county's history from the days of the earliest Indians to the present.

After the home-coming day featuring Governor Okey L. Patteson's dedication of the pageant, Tuesday was "Youth Day," with a parade by youngsters and contests for children. "Agriculture and County Day" was observed Wednesday with hog calling and a fiddlers' convention, followed that night by public square dancing on Main Street.

"Brother of the Brush Day" on Thursday found bearded men directing traffic, inspecting stores and hunting for "city dudes" without beards. Weeks before the celebration men were given a choice of not shaving or buying shaver's permits which made them members of the "Brother of the Brush" organization.

Men found clean-shaven without such a permit were locked in stocks or paid other penalties at the Kangaroo Court held at one of the city's busiest intersections. The severest penalty was to dunk offenders in the "Royal Bath tub" which was filled with cold water.

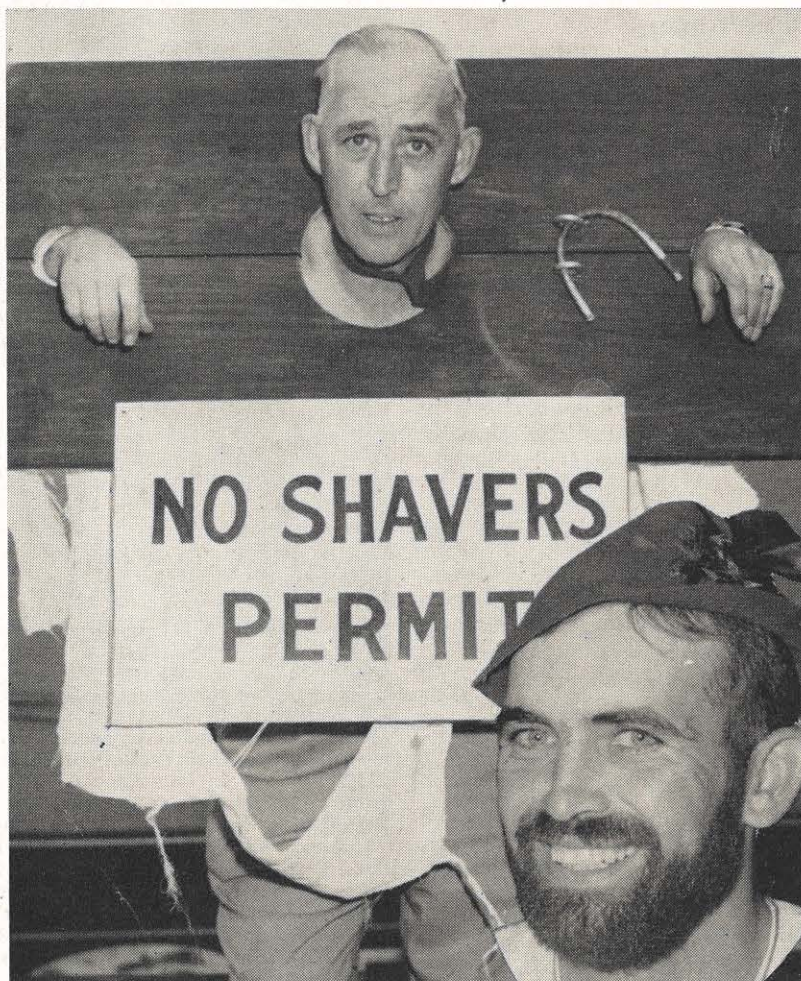
Women had that freshly scrubbed look as they wore their old-fashioned gowns without any cosmetics. Only those who purchased a permit to the "Sisters of the Swish" organization were entitled to use lipstick and other cosmetics during the week's festivities.

A band parade of all of the county's high school bands and a beard contest to determine which men had the best, the thickest and the most unusual beards were other features of "Brother of the Brush Day."

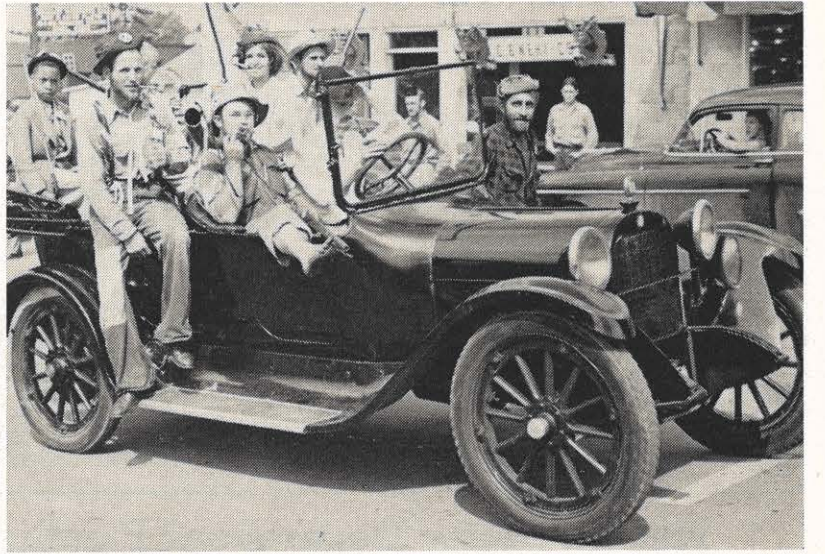
Friday was "United Nations Dav,"



Typical "Sisters of the Swish" are these Raleigh County girls bedecked in dresses reminiscent of grandmother's day.



Locked in the stocks is a clean-shaven violator of the no-shaving law in effect during the week-long celebration. At the other extreme is D. E. Murray, Beckley district lineman in inset, who sports a fine crop of whiskers for the benefit of his "Brothers of the Brush."



A relic of the past putt-putts slowly to the "big doings" under a load of mountaineers totin' guns in order to make sure everything proceeds without too much violence.

with flags of the nations flying in parade with the Boy Scouts. Admiral Chester Nimitz was special guest and spoke to 4,000 persons in the Woodrow Wilson High School auditorium.

Saturday was "Mardi Gras Day," when all of the county's bands marched in a parade with 40 gaily decorated floats and throngs of persons clothed in period costumes depicting scenes of a by-gone era.

The final evening of the Centennial found Raleigh Countians and guests dancing in the square where several blocks were roped off for the gala last-night celebration. Both hill-billy and jazz bands played for the benefit of the merry-makers who

danced to tunes popular at the turn of the century and to those "hits" of today.

A mammoth fireworks display at the high school stadium was the closing feature of the week's Centennial which many will remember a lifetime as a "once in a lifetime" affair.

Charleston Employee Wins \$200 Scholarship

Bill Stone, an employee in the Charleston storeroom during the summer months, was presented a \$200 scholarship on September 8 by Frankenger's of Charleston. He is a sophomore at W. Virginia University.

FBI Requests Help In Protecting  
The Nation's Internal Security

With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, there is increasing need for everyone to be on the alert for subversive activities and attempts at sabotage.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, is asking the help of all individuals and patriotic organizations in this drive against underground activities aimed at the destruction of the nation's internal security.

The statement printed below shows how every law-abiding citizen can cooperate to make us truly the United States of America:

The internal security of the United States can be assured with the cooperation, aid and assistance of every law-abiding person in our Nation. The President of the United States in restating the responsibilities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has called upon all law enforcement officers, patriotic organizations and individuals to report information pertaining to espionage, sabotage and subversive activities to the FBI. Plans have already been made and are in operation whereby the law enforcement agencies of the Nation are working in close cooperation with the FBI.

The following suggestions are being made to assist patriotic organizations and individuals in complying with the President's request:

1. The FBI is as near to you as your telephone. The first page of every telephone book in the country lists the nearest office of the FBI. You can communicate with the FBI by telephone, letter or call at our nearest office.

2. Feel free to furnish all facts in your possession. Many times a small bit of information might furnish the data we are seeking. If you have any information on sabotage, espionage, or subversive activities, contact the FBI.

3. The FBI is interested in receiving facts; we are not interested in what a person thinks but in what he does which undermines our internal

security. Avoid reporting malicious gossip or idle rumors.

4. Do not circulate rumors about subversive activities, or draw conclusions from information you furnish the FBI. The data you possess might be incomplete or only partially accurate. By drawing conclusions based on insufficient evidence grave injustices might result to innocent persons.

5. Once you have reported your information to the FBI do not endeavor to make private investigations. This can best be done by trained investigators who have access to data acquired over the years on individuals engaged in subversive activities. Hysteria, witch-hunts and vigilantes weaken internal security. Investigations involving internal security require care and painstaking effort. We all can contribute to our internal security by protecting the innocent as well as by identifying the enemies within our midst. In cases involving espionage it is more important to identify spies, their contacts, sources of information, and methods of communications than to make immediate arrests.

6. Be alert. The greatest defenders against sabotage are the loyal American workmen who are producing the materials and weapons for our defense. They can be the "watch dogs" of defense in every walk of life.

7. The forces which are most anxious to weaken our internal security are not always easy to identify. Communists have been trained in deceit and secretly work toward the day when they hope to replace our American way of life with a Communist dictatorship. They utilize cleverly camouflaged movements such as some peace groups and civil rights organizations, to achieve their sinister purposes. While they as individuals are difficult to identify, the Communist Party line is clear. Its first concern is the advancement of Soviet Russia and the godless Communist cause. It is important to learn to know the enemies of the American way of life.